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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Massimo Brusarosco et al.) Group Art Unit: 3663
Application No.: 10/563,370) Examiner: TO, TUAN C
Filed: May 26, 2006) Confirmation No.: 4087
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR)
DETERMINING A TYRE LOAD)
DURING THE RUNNING OF A)
MOTOR VEHICLE)

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Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance mailed January 5, 2011. Without withdrawing the allowed claims from issue, Applicants submit these comments for the record.

In the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner provided a statement of reasons for allowance. Applicants agree with the Examiner's conclusion that the claims are patentably distinct from the cited prior art. However, Applicants do not necessarily subscribe to the Examiner's characterizations of the prior art or statements directed to claims 48 and 62 and their dependent claims on pages 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowability dated January 5, 2011, to the extent that they are inconsistent with the actual claim language used to claim Applicants' method for determining a load exerted

on a tyre (claims 48, 49, 51-57, 59 and 61) and Applicants' method of controlling a vehicle having at least one tyre fitted on a vehicle (claims 62-66), as claimed in the Response to Office Action and Notice of Panel Decision filed by Applicants on November 18, 2010.

If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of these Comments, please charge the fee to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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